MEMORANDUM

ADA COMPLIANCE PUBLIC MEETING

September 12, 2012 6:30 p.m. City Hall Council Chambers

The City of West Lafayette held a public meeting to review the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), Self-Evaluations, and Transition Planning, and what the City of West Lafayette is doing to comply.

City officials present were Mayor Dennis, Clerk-Treasurer Rhodes, Councilor Burch, City Attorney Burns, Human Resources Director Foster, Fire Chief Heath, and Information Technology Manager Newman.

Also present were David Meihls and Amy Moore of ADA Consultants of Indiana, LLC, who have been engaged by the City of West Lafayette to assist with a comprehensive evaluation of the Citys compliance with the 2011 ADA Requirements & Guidelines for facilities, programs, and services.

Mayor Dennis opened the meeting. He emphasized the City ongoing commitment to include all citizens, and explained how the City views its approach to the ADA as work in progress in achieving full compliance. He stated that change will not happen overnight, but the City of West Lafayette accepts the challenge and is making it a priority. Mayor Dennis explained the goal of this meeting is to present the proposed West Lafayette Transition Plan, to provide an opportunity for questions, and invite comment and suggestions over the next month. He encouraged community members to give thought to areas where the City needs to improve. He announced that there will be a public hearing on November 15, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. in City Hall Council Chambers for the purpose of hearing feedback on the Transition Plan. He explained that forms are available at the meeting, and are on the City website, for the public to specify areas of concern pertaining to ADA compliance in the City, anonymously if they choose. These forms will be accepted until November 21, 2012 at 4:00 p.m. This will give people time to submit ideas that may evolve after the public hearing. He also noted that other informational items are also available on the City website under the ADA tab.

Mr. Meihls and Ms. Moore jointly gave a PowerPoint presentation (attached) which provided an overview of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, the purpose of ADA Title II, and the components in the transition plan. They reviewed the steps in ADA compliance.

Public comments and questions were invited.

Mr. Meihls responded to questions and comments from four individuals.

Mayor Dennis thanked attendees, encouraged comments on areas of concern to be submitted. Hearing no further questions and comments, he adjourned the meeting at 7:05 p.m.